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A son of Paul Verlaine, the late rench poet, tells a strange story in explanation of his failure to attend his father's funeral. Some months ago he arrived in Brussels from Algeria and was about to start for Paris, when he suddenly fell into a lethargic sleep, which lasted four days. The same state has come upon him again, the last attack being at the time of his father's funeral, Dr. Van Vensel, of Brussels, has given young Verlaine a certificate, stating that those sleeping spells are due to the hypnotic influence of a man whom he met in Algeria.

A Musculine Woman

woman who has a mustache and a very redundant figure. She is described as than ever before. If you are tired, "out of looking as if she never washed her face and almost never combed her halr. Her voice is had and her dramatic knowledge limited; but she is a success. Four years ago she was singing to a cuto chantant of not particularly good character. She might be scrubbed up a little, put in very evening dress, and become a fad in

Wanted to Ask Mamous

An actress created quite a sensation Medicine and true nerve tonic, because at Racine, Wis., the other day by suddenly postponing her marriage. All the arrangements for the ceremony were complete and she was about to proceed to the church when she suddenly concluded that it would be necessary to ask mamma. A good deal of free advertising has resulted.

An Old Buil.

A case is now before the courts of Bayaria, which has been in litigation for 301 years. It is the suit of the town of Burginn against the lords of Thungen for 2,000,000 marks, value of a cortain forcut of cales. It is hoped that the case will be finally settled on the 21st of next June.

The egg of the dog fish is provided with a system of spiral cables like the tendeds of climbing plants. Those lecters reach out in every direction, and whenever they encounter an object which they can selze, twine themselves around it and hold the egg la position until it is hatched.

SHE ASTONISHES HER BACE. Mississippi Negrass Who Housts & Profusion of Long Hate. From the Memphis Scimitar: The

Mississippians in Memphis tell of a strange negro character living near Holly Springs, forty miles southeast of this city. The negro, or rather negress, in question is named Nancy Garrison, and is said to be the only longhaired member of her race. Nancy is genuine negress; black, with kinky hair. She is 48 years old. Until 1878, after the yellow fever epidemic, there was nothing remarkable about her, but during the scourge she had the feyer and came near dying. It was months before she was able to leave her. Delna, the present star of the Opera house. Immediately after her convalencence her short, kinky hair began to grow rapidly, and in a year's time it grew from three inches to three fest in length, thickening as it grew. A few years later the crisp mass of hair fell mention this paper. Combute in Paris, is a very fat young cenes her short, kinky hair began to below her knees. About this time a wonderful change of color took place; the jetty locks turned white as snow and remained so until two years ago; since then the hair has turned gradually to its natural blackness. It contiques to grow and now measures eleven feet. Prominent physicians of the Holly Springs neighborhood have examined the woman's head and are disposed to think that the spell of fever produced the unnatural growth. She is a living curionity, visited by hundreds who handle her massive braids before they believe the truth. Like the majority of the negroes, Nancy la superstitions, and the story she tells about her hair is interesting. She claims that she had a vision while she lay nick of fever; that a black weman stood before her with three long braids of kinky hair that fell to the floor; the woman pointed to the hair and disappeared. When her hair began to grow Nancy often thought of the vision. A year later, when she was alone in her cabin, the vision appeared again, holding in her hands the massive braids. She said to Nancy: "Rehold, this is your bair. Mark me, it is as black as night; it shall be as white as snow," This frightened the negress and she bound up her hair in a cloth and was afraid to formen It or to mok upon it for a

> CURSE OF OFFICE HOLDING. Utterly Units a Man for Any Other Oc-

enpation. man who does submits to a sacrifice that is appalling, says the Farmer's Voice. Office holding, as a rule, is a blighting curse to the office holder. Once he tasted the "aweets" of office he is as much under the control of the office holding passion as the drunkard is under the control of his appetite. Nothing skiisfies him but a permanent position at the public crib, though very often the man could earn ten times more outside of politics than in. Think of a business man or professional man straining every nerve and spending lots of money to go to the legislature at \$5 per day. But hundreds do it, and regard defeat, which sensible men would regard as a bleasing, as a serious and almost irreparable misfortune. If it is an appointive office and the man unfortunately succeeds in holdne it for a series of years, but at lass is discharged, he is as helpless as a habe, for he is utterly unfit for other occupations. This is especially true of old men who lose their positions at Washington. It is said that one of this class recently cried like a child over his misfortune. Better remain on the farm or in the workshop or in any private business than to embark on the troubled sea of politics. There is not much honor in it, and there is still less money than honor, if the fingers do not have wax on them; and it is better, far better, to be an honest pauper than a dishonest official. If a man maintains a clear conscience he can live and die with at least one priceless treas-

The Trolley in Persia. The first electric railroad in Persia will be built from Teheran to the summer resorts, about ten miles to the north of the city, where everybody lives during the hot season. The summer on the Persian plateau is very hot and dry, and it is only in the neighborhood of the mountains that Europeans can stand the great heat. Were it not for the resort they would have to leave Teheran for four months of the year. The new road is to be a trolley road, and a concession for ninety years has been granted to a German contractor, who will start the building of the road

Purity.
On the question of divorces, the law of Moses was almost as lax as the law of Maine, while on the other hand the law of Christ is far less stringent than the law of South Carolina for no divorce has ever been granted in that state. It would be a happy day for this nation if all civil law in all our states, touching this question of family purity, was brought into harmony with the law of Christ. The devil of divorce is a most impure, as well as a most industrious evil, and he cannot be sent

meths in Holland. In several towns in Holland a birth is announced by the exposing at the door of a silk pineushion, covered and edged by plaited face, the sea of the infant being shown by the color-for a

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